## **Nominations Needed for Wisconsin Corn Promotion Board**

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MADISON – The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is now accepting nominations for three board member positions on the Wisconsin Corn Promotion Board, Inc.

"Marketing boards rely on producer elections and strong leadership to be successful," said DATCP Secretary Ben Brancel. "I highly encourage producers to nominate themselves or another qualified individual from their district for the Wisconsin Corn Promotion Board so it can continue to expand sales of Wisconsin corn."

Producers who grow and sell corn in the following counties are eligible to nominate a producer or to be nominated at this time:

- District 3 Forest, Florence, Marinette, Langlade, Oconto, Shawano, Door, Outagamie, Brown, Kewaunee, Winnebago, Calumet, Manitowoc, Fond du Lac and Sheboygan.
- District 5 LaCrosse, Vernon, Crawford, Richland, Grant, Iowa and Lafayette.
- District 6 Sauk and Dane.

A nomination form must include signatures of at least five other eligible corn producers from the district in which the nominee is running for election. The notarized Affidavit of Eligibility must be completed on the nomination form. DATCP will accept nominations through November 30, 2011. To receive a nomination form, contact DATCP's Noel Favia at 800-942-2474 or the Wisconsin Corn Promotion Board at 262-495-2232.

DATCP plans to hold the elections for corn producers to vote from December 19, 2011 through January 4, 2012. Elected producers will serve for three-year terms beginning February 1, 2012 and ending January 31, 2015.

The Wisconsin Corn Promotion Board is responsible for research, market development and educational program for the industry. The Board has nine members that represent about 20,000 growers in the state.

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